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1. a. The following persons were present at a conference held in the offices of the Zentrales Konstruktionsbüro (ZKB) on 1 September 1950:

Brückner	IIA Maschinenbau	Clemens -	ZKB
Korn	IIA Metallurgie	Müller	"
Kurda	" "	Liebs	"
Schindehütte	" "	Kobi	"

It was announced that VVB Abus, Wildau would immediately commence the production of metallurgical plants and machines. A designing office with a staff of approximately 60 persons is planned for VVB Abus.

b. The following rolling mill plants were notified that requirements for 1951 would be:

Sächsische Gusstahl-Werke Döhlen:	Value (per DM 1,000)
One triple housing (dreigerüstige) 650-er three-high roughing mill	3,500
One quadruple housing 450-er three-high rolling mill	3,200

The ZKB would provide the first workshop drawings in about three months.

VEB Stahl-und Walzwerke Brandenburg:	
Parts for a 1050-er two-high reversing cogging mill	4,500
Parts for a continuous intermediate product and billet rolling mill (weight approximately 635 tons)	2,500

The drawings would be provided by Schloemann, Düsseldorf.

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VEB Maxhütte Unterwellenborn	Value (per DM 1,000)
One broad strip rolling mill equipped with: One three-high "Vorgerüst" (weight 35 tons) One four-high intermediate housing (weight 90 tons) One four-high final housing (weight 90 tons)	4,200

Most of the basic materials for the above are already available.

VEB Walzwerk Burg, Burg bei Magdeburg	
One "Dressiergerüst" for the thin sheet rolling mill (weight approximately 100 tons)	350

Hoffmann & Lotz, Eberswalde	
One 250-er strip mill	2,000

VEB Stahl-und Walzwerk Hennigsdorf:	
Heating bed for the 450-er medium rolling mill	1,000
Mechanization of the 320-er two-high mill	4,000

VEB Halbzeugwerke Auerhammer, Aue VEB Federnfabrik Oranienburg VEB Fahrrad Röhren- und Walzwerke, Chemnitz VEB Kaltwalzwerk- und Metallwarenfabrik, Bad Salzungen	
Four cold rolling mill housings	350

c. Rolling mill plants required in 1952 for which preparatory work is necessary in 1951:

Sächsische Gusstahl-Werke, Döhlen	Value (per DM 1,000)
One 950-er cogging mill	5,000
One 260-er wire mill	3,400

VEB Stahl-und Walzwerke Brandenburg	
Parts for a three-housing 850-er billet mill	8,750

2. VEB Stahl-und Walzwerk Riesa

a. The medium rolling mill exceeded its target production figure (10,800 tons) in August, when it produced 11,000 tons. The thin and high speed trains functioned sporadically. The latter achieved its target in October, when it produced 5,500 tons.

b. One 25-ton and one 60-ton SM furnace are in operation in the foundry.

c. There is an occasional shortage of bearings for rollers. The quality of those produced at Riesa is poor.

3. Among the materials handled at VEB Stahl-und Walzwerk Riesa during October 1950 were the following:

Materials received	tons	Shipments	tons
Brown coal	18,015	Ingots	1,215
Hard coal	571	Tubular coils	39
Coke	123	Bar iron	14,686
Raw coal	72	Cast parts	441
Coal dust	1,037	Containers	48

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Materials received	tons
Silicon	79
Ferromanganese	127
Scrap (Kernschrott)	17,099
Sheets	627
Bar iron	1,093
Construction parts	954
Nuts	53
Machine parts	12
Magnesite	25
Powdered magnesite	58
Sand (Schweisssand)	187
Cement slabs	82
Cement	508
Cast parts	121
Clay	132
Tubes	238
Glass	87
Cable	76
Glass wool	1
Gypsum	15
Tar	42
Crude iron	4,745
Specular iron	237
Casting bricks	426
Dolomite	1,217
Lime	1,422
Fireclay bricks	2,035
Chill moulds	805
Timber	173
Sulphuric acid	61
Wire cables	3
Bars	656
Rollers	235
Acetylene	21
Bricks	512
Gravel	2,000
"Stripse"	464
Oxygen	434
Fluorspar	48
Moulding sand	271

Shipments	tons
Coal dust	181
Construction parts	170
Mill cinders (Walzensinter)	252
Oxygen bottles	431
Martin slag	1,510
Chill moulds	875
Slag	815
Ash	6,966
Machine parts	11
Briquettes	512
Sheets	49
Lime	47
Scrap	49
Cable reels	10
Rolling mill scrap	242
Non-ferrous metal	10
Wire	9
One diesel locomotive	35

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